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ACTIVITIES OF QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONS WOULD NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE DUTY-FREE ENTRY PRIVILEGE IN THE U.S., EVEN THOUGH SUCH COULD ALSO FUNCTION IN SUPPORT OF CERTAIN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH EFFORTS. CERTAIN SPECIALIZED COMPUTERS, SUCH AS IMAGE ANALYZING COMPUTERS, VOICE SYNTHESIZERS, ARTIFICAL INTELLIGENCE DEVICES, CORRELATORS, ETC. USED FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH WOULD, IN THEMSELVES, BE CONSIDERED SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS BY THE U.S. FURTHER, PERIPHERALS ORDERED WITH OR FOR COMPUTERS DEEMED TO BE SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS WOULD ALSO BE ELIGIBLE FOR DUTY-FREE ENTRY.

2. PLEASE FORWARD COPIES OF APPLICABLE ANNEX D REGULATIONS AND RELATED DESCRIPTIVE EXPLANATORY MATERIAL TO ALLOW MORE DETAILED ANALYSIS. VANCE

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